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DATE:

September 14, 2010

TO:

All Local Health Departments
Attn: Chief Food Inspector Officer

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Sampco, Inc., Chicago, IL, recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION: Class III Recall: 12-ounce cans of "Kroger Corned Beef" bearing a production

code "100224U." These products were sent to distribution centers in Indiana for retail sales. Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax, or e-mail.

CLASS III RECALL

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 13, 2010 - Sampco, Inc., a Chicago, Ill., establishment is recalling approximately 258,000 pounds of cooked beef products that were imported from an ineligible Brazilian establishment, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced today.

Brazilian establishment SIF 337 was delisted on May 6, 2010 after repeat violative levels of the animal drug Ivermectin were confirmed in its products. FSIS has recently determined that eight lots of product from Brazilian establishment SIF 337 have been shipped into commerce despite the firm's ineligible status. As a result, FSIS and Sampco, Inc. are taking action to remove the products from commerce. Consumers who have purchased any of these products should return them to their point of purchase.

The following products are subject to recall:

- 12-ounce cans of "Libby Corned Beef" bearing a production code "100315U," "100316U," "100322U," or "100326U." These products were sent to distribution centers in Florida, and Pennsylvania for retail sales.
- 7-ounce pouches "Brushy Creek Shredded Beef" bearing a production code "100121," "100128," "100129," "100308,"or "100322." These products were sent to distribution centers in Missouri, New Jersey, and Ohio, for retail sales.
- 10-ounce "Brushy Creek Roast Beef" bearing a production code "100226," "100309," or "100311." These products were sent to distribution centers in California, Missouri, New Jersey,

and Texas for retail sales.

• 12-ounce cans of "Kroger Corned Beef" bearing a production code "100224U." These products were sent to distribution centers in Indiana for retail sales.

Each product package bears "BRASIL 337 S.I.F," as well as "Product of Brazil" or "Packed under Brazilian Government Inspection."

Media and consumer questions regarding the recall should contact the company hotline at (800) 685-6328. FSIS does not provide retail distribution lists for Class III recalls as use of the product will not cause adverse health consequences.

FSIS is responsible for assuring that imported meat, poultry and egg products are safe, wholesome, unadulterated, and properly labeled and packaged. FSIS randomly samples products at ports for drug and chemical residues. FSIS routinely conducts recall effectiveness checks to verify recalling firms notify their customers of the recall and that steps are taken to make certain that the product is no longer available to consumers.

Consumers with food safety questions can "Ask Karen," the FSIS virtual representative available 24 hours a day at www.askkaren.gov. The toll-free USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline 1-888-MPHotline (1-888-674-6854) is available in English and Spanish and can be reached from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time) Monday through Friday. Recorded food safety messages are available 24 hours a day.